

## USNA Course Validation Policy

Most validation occurs during plebe summer but a few midshipmen validate upper level courses at other times. To be considered for validation of any course, a midshipman must have had equivalent college level experience elsewhere. Automatic validation for high AP test scores is indicated below. Validation may also be achieved by good performance on the plebe summer validation tests listed below.

Department	Validation opportunities during plebe summer	Validation requirements for upper level courses
	<b>Division of Engineering and Weapons</b>	
Aerospace Engineering	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	Interview, test
Electrical Engineering		
Mechanical Engineering		
Naval Architecture, Ocean, and Marine Engineering		
Weapons and Systems Engineering		
	<b>Division of Mathematics and Science</b>	
Chemistry	Tests administered for Chemistry 1 and Chemistry 2. Biology AP=5 validates.	Interview, test
Computer Science	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	
Mathematics	Tests administered for Calculus 1 ("AB" AP $\geq$ 4 validates), Calculus 2 ("BC" AP $\geq$ 4 validates) and Calculus 3.	
Oceanography	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	
Physics	Tests administered for Physics 1 and Physics 2.	
	<b>Division of Humanities and Social Sciences</b>	
Economics	Test administered for Introductory Economics. Micro+Macro AP $\geq$ 8 validates.	Interview, test
English	Tests administered for English 1 (AP 5 validates) and English 2.	Syllabus, transcript, and interview
History	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	
Political Science	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	
Language Studies	Tests administered for French 1&2 (AP $\geq$ 3 validates) and French 3&4 (AP $\geq$ 4 validates). Tests administered for German 1&2 (AP $\geq$ 3 validates) and German 3&4 (AP $\geq$ 4 validates). Tests administered for Japanese 1&2 and Japanese 3&4. Tests administered for Russian 1&2 and Russian 3&4. Tests administered for Spanish 1&2 (AP $\geq$ 3 validates) and Spanish 3&4 (AP $\geq$ 4 validates).	Interview, test
	<b>Division of Professional Development</b>	
Leadership, Ethics, and Law	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	Syllabus, transcript, interview
Seamanship and Navigation	No validation tests are administered during plebe summer.	Interview, test

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